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In re Application of:

GLATZ, HORST et al Serial No. 10/539,955

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Docket: 5200.P0067US

Title: METHOD AND PRODUCITON LINE

FOR RATIONALLY PRODUCING U-SHAPED HEAT EXCHANGE TUBES DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.181

This is a decision on the petition filed on March 7, 2011 by which petitioner requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement based on constructive election mailed Nov. 12, 2010 and that non-elected claims 19-23 be rejoined and examined on the merits. Claims 2-5 and 18 were held to be constructively elected and examined. Claims 19-23 were withdrawn from consideration due to non-elected invention. This petition is being considered pursuant to 37 CFR 1.144 and 37 CFR 1.181, and no fee is required.

The petition is granted.

In finding petitioner's points of argument persuasive and after consulting with the examiner, the requested relief is granted. The restriction requirement mailed on Nov. 2, 2010 is hereby withdrawn. Claims 19-23 will be rejoined with the elected invention. The examiner has been requested to issue an Office action to rejoin and treat the non-elected claims 19-23 on the merits as soon as possible.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner via the Supervisory Patent Examiner of Art Unit 3726 for further consideration of non-elected claims 19-23 prior to further appeal proceeding. Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen, Special Programs Examiner, at (571) 272-4856.

PETITION GRANTED.

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